

## **Progress Report - October 2011**

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Steering Committee	<ul> <li>The OC-MEDS Steering Committee is comprised of representatives from the OC Ambulance Association, OC Fire Chiefs Association, OC Communications, and the Hospital Association of Southern California. Planning for the group's next meeting is underway and will be held in <a href="Late October or early November 2011">Late October or early November 2011</a>.</li> </ul>
ePCR Software	<ul> <li>The ePCR software, Field Bridge v4.6.1.7, is complete and is ready for field testing and pilots. Contact Laurent Repass for installation instructions.</li> <li>The ePCR Taskforce has created a sub-group to define system-wide Validation Rules, operational guidelines, and countywide policies with regard to the use and administration of the OC-MEDS. The sub-group is comprised of field personnel and EMS Coordinators from several Orange County EMS provider agencies and is set to meet for the third time on Wednesday, Oct. 19<sup>th</sup> at 0900 at the OCEMS Main Office.</li> </ul>
ePCR Hardware	<ul> <li>HCA / OCEMS has now received written notification from eleven (11) out of thirteen (13) fire departments with regard to their desire to receive grant funded computer hardware equipment.</li> <li>HCA / OCEMS has completed the procurement process of California Office of Traffic Safety (OTS) grant funded devices. Seventy-one (71) Motion Computing J3500s, twelve (12) Panasonic CF-H2s, and seven (7) HP Slate 500s have been received as of September 30, 2011 and are awaiting distribution. With the exception of the HP Slate 500, each device will come with up to three (3) year no fault warranties.</li> <li>The following agencies will be receiving OTS grant-funded computer hardware equipment: Brea Fire, Costa Mesa Fire, Fountain Valley Fire, Fullerton Fire, Garden Grove Fire, Huntington Beach Fire, Newport Beach Fire, Orange City Fire, Orange County Fire, and Santa Ana Fire.</li> <li>HCA / OCEMS has identified UASI grant funding to purchase some additional devices. These devices will be purchased on behalf of and distributed to Anaheim Fire.</li> <li>Equipment Distribution Contracts Update: HCA / OCEMS has been able to produce a MOU that is much less formal than the original contract draft. The new MOU draft has been distributed to fire departments for their final review and comment. Once finalized, the MOUs will be processed for signature and the computer hardware can be distributed.</li> </ul>
CAD Integration	<ul> <li>MetroNet (Keystone): CAD data integration is fully operational. MetroNet is sending live CAD data for each of the seven (7) agencies that they serve (Anaheim, Fountain Valley, Fullerton, Garden Grove, Huntington Beach, Newport Beach, and Orange City). The CAD data is sent to the secure OC-MEDS portals for each agency.</li> <li>Brea, Costa Mesa, Laguna Beach, OCFA, Santa Ana (FATPOT): FATPOT has begun sending live CAD data for both OCFA and Santa Ana Fire. HCA / OCEMS is continuing to work with representatives from FATPOT, ImageTrend, OCFA, and Santa Ana to fine tune the CAD integrations to ensure the correct information is being sent and received. The project is being implemented alongside the regional CAD2CAD project; therefore, CAD integrations for Brea, Costa Mesa, and Laguna Beach are contingent upon successful participation in the CAD2CAD project.</li> </ul>
Base Hospital Data and Digital Audio Recorders	<ul> <li>HCA / OCEMS and Orange County Communications (OCC) are planning to replace the audio cassette recorders currently used to record communications between paramedics and MICNs during base hospital contacted calls. HCA / OCEMS is awaiting final grant approval so that work may begin to complete this portion of the project.</li> <li>In June 2011, representatives from OCC met with clinical and IT representatives from each Base Hospital to discuss the implementation plan. Many Base Hospitals have completed the cabling work necessary for the new digital audio recorders to function in each Base Hospital's IT environment.</li> <li>Beginning in July 2011, OC Base Hospitals began using web-based templates within OC-MEDS to complete retrospective data entry of Base Hospital contacted and ALS No-Contact runs. This information is already producing valuable reporting capabilities for CQI purposes.</li> </ul>
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Training	<ul> <li>HCA / OCEMS trained nearly 70 participants during a five module / two day "Train-the-Trainer" course for field personnel and service level system administrators. Module(s) 1-3 were offered on Sept. 20, 21, and 22. Module(s) 4-5 were offered on Oct. 5 and 6. The course provided foundational knowledge and materials necessary for</li> </ul>

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provider agencies to begin training their staff.

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